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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

December 16, 2013.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), OIRA Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, D.C. 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8958.

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respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control

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Foreign Agricultural Service

TITLE: Dairy Tariff-Rate Import Quota Licensing Program

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0551-0001

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: The Dairy Tariff-Rate Import Quota regulation (the Regulation)

(7 CFR Part 6.20-6.37) which governs the administration of the import licensing system

applicable to most dairy products subject to tariff-rate quotas (TRQs). The importation of most

cheese made from cow's milk and certain non-cheese dairy articles (butter, dried milks, and

butter substitutes) are subject to TRQs and must be accompanied by an import license issued by

the Department to enter at the lower tariff. Importers without licenses may enter these dairy

articles, but are required to pay the higher tariff. The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) will

collect information using several forms.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: FAS will use the collected information in the

administration of the tariff-rate import quota licensing system for certain dairy products and the

issuance of licenses in accordance with the Regulation. If the information were collected less

frequently, FSA would be unable to issue licenses on an annual basis in compliance with the

Import Regulation.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: Business or other-for-profit

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NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 700

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Record keeping, Reporting: Annually

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 479

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